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## Amendments to the Specification

Page 10, beginning with line 3, amend the paragraph as follows.

The covers' channel 50 can permit the opening of the one or more covers (e.g., the bottom and top covers 60 and 70) for delivery of the developer from the developer cartridge 100 to the developer hopper, and can permit the closing of the one or more covers to prevent further delivery of the developer from the developer cartridge 100 to the developer hopper, such that the one or more covers can be moved a distance between opening and closing. The covers' channel 50 can permit contact to be achieved and maintained between the sealing gasket 40 and the one or more covers (e.g., the bottom and top covers 60 and 70) to prevent the undesired leakage of the developer (i) prior to the mounting of the developer cartridge 100 to the developer hopper, (ii) during and/or after the mounting of the developer cartridge 100 to the developer hopper, and/or (iii) during and/or after the dismounting of the developer cartridge 100 from the developer hopper. The covers' channel 50 can permit contact to be achieved and maintained between and/or among the one or more covers (e.g., the bottom and top covers 60 and 70), such that opening and closing of the top cover 70 can result in a corresponding opening and closing of the bottom cover 60 for delivery and to prevent further delivery of the developer from the developer cartridge 100 to the developer hopper. Thus, although certain preferred embodiments of the covers' channel 50 are shown in the drawings, it is to be understood that the covers' channel 50 can be of any type, so long as the covers' channel 50 can permit contact to be achieved and maintained between the sealing gasket 40 and the one or more covers (e.g., the bottom and top covers 60 and 70) to prevent the undesired leakage of the developer, and/or such that the covers' channel 50 can permit contact to be achieved and maintained between and/or among the one or more covers (e.g., the bottom and top covers 60 and 70), such that opening and closing of the top cover 70 can result in the corresponding opening and closing of the bottom cover 60.